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SUBJ: SOMALI REACTION TO MIDDLE EAST WAR

REF: MOGADISCIO 1510

1. SUMMARY: GSDR ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO ME WAR VERY RESTRAINED SO FAR. VERBAL SUPPORT FOR ARABS CONTINUES TO BE STRONG, BUT HAS NOT YET GONE BEYOND EARLIER GENERAL CONDMENATION OF "IMPERIALISM". SOME POPULAR ANTI-AMERICAN FEELING IS REPORTED IN RESPONSE TO NEWS BROADCASTS RE U.S. ARMS SHIPMENTS TO ISRAEL. GSDR HAS NOT AS YET OFFICIALLY COMMENTED ON THIS. SNEIOR POLICE OFFICIAL HAS REITERATED SOMALI DETERMINATION TO PROTECT U.S. PERSONNEL AND INSTALLATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. GSDR HAS ANNOUNCED FIRST SHIPMENT OF PLANNED 250 TONS OF CANNED MEAT AND FISH TO EGYPT AND SYRIA. GOVERNMENT WORKERS AND PEOPLE GENERALLY HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO MAKE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AS SIGN OF SUPPORT. ANNOUNCEMENT THAT VOLUNTEERS SHOULD REGISTER THEIR NAMES AT LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES IS OFTEN MENTIONED, BUT THERE HAS BEEN NO COMMENT ABOUT ANY STEPS
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BEYOND REGISTRATION OF NAMES.

3. OCTOBER STAR EDITORIAL OF OCTOBER 15, DISCUSSING BOTH AFRICAN LIBERATION AND MIDEAST, INCLUDES CONDEMNATION OF "CAPITALIST" AND "IMPERIALIST" SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL, BUT REFERS TO U.S. SPECIFICALLY ONLY IN PASSAGE APPLAUDING AMERICAN PEOPLE'S OPPOSITION TO USG PAST "AGGRESSION" IN VIET-NAM.
4. EMBASSY LOCALS REPORT SOME ADVERSE POPULAR COMMENT ON U.S. ARMS SHIPMENTS TO ISRAEL AS REPORTED IN RADIO NEWS. GOVERNMENT NEWS BULLETIN OF OCTOBER 14 INCLUDED REUTERS ITEM ON SYRIAN CLAIM OF U.S. PILOT AND PLANE SHOT DOWN OVER DAMASCUS, BUT WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY OFFICIAL COMMENT ON THIS THEME AS YET.
5. POLICE CHIEF OF OPERATIONS IN OCTOBER 13 CONVERSATION WITH DCM PROMISED AGAIN THAT U.S. PERSONNEL WOULD BE PROTECTED AND REITERATED GSDR DETERMINATION THAT NO INCIDENT WOULD TAKE PLACE IN SOMALIA.
6. COMMENT: GSDR SHOWS NO SIGN OF WANTING TO HEAT UP MIDEAST ISSUE IN SOMALIA, OR TO RAISE SPECIAL PROBLEMS FOR U.S. ACTIONS AND STATEMENTS TO DATE APPEAR MINIMUM NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC OPINION AND SOMALIA'S ARAB ASSOCIATES. MEETING OF AFRICAN LIBERATION COMMITTEE IN MOGADISCIO THIS WEEK, AND UPCOMING ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF REVOLUTION ON OCTOBER 21, APPEAR TO BE COMPETING SUCCESSFULLY WITH MIDEAST FOR OFFICIAL AND POPULAR ATTENTION. KIRK

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